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Our Mission Statement ...

First Lutheran Church is God's people inviting, involving equipping and empowering to serve, that all may know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.



FLC Family,

“Dignity” is a word that holds profound significance for me. As a young C.N.A., I grappled with the challenge of preserving the dignity of our patients. This task proved to be more complex than it sounds, especially in intimate care situations. As a hospice chaplain, we often discussed the concept of ‘Death with Dignity,’ a practice that involved honoring the dying person’s sense of self with utmost respect.

This season in church, our prayer after communion begins with the words, *“Holy God, you have welcomed us at this meal and fed us with dignity at your table.”* Discussing our relationship with God at Christ’s Table as one with dignity is interesting. Not only are we welcome, but we are meant to feel like an heir to God’s promises. We have every right to be there. We belong.

When we commune, we can do so with our heads held high. That promised salvation is for you, and it is for me. We can take the bread and wine, and we can do so proudly. We are beloved children of God! The prayer continues: *“Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another through Jesus Christ our Lord.”* This sending assumes we will offer dignity to the others who are also gathered and welcomed at the table. How do we offer dignity to others?

One thing I learned as a C.N.A. that I would not have paid attention to otherwise is wheelchair etiquette. Helpful people are often more than willing to push someone in a wheelchair. They gladly help, but being taken where you did not ask or wish to go isn’t dignified. You might not know who is behind you. You might not have your feet in a safe position. You may be working hard to maintain the muscle strength in your arms and your spirit, but the very kind person pushing you from behind isn’t respecting that.

For a C.N.A., this kind of disregard for the autonomy of a person in a wheelchair is a punishable offense. Usually, the act was done with the best intentions in mind. People want to help. So, what does a helping hand look like at First Lutheran that embraces that other beloved child of God’s dignity? How can our table come with a wider welcome? That’s a real question. If there is something we can do to make the meal more accessible for you or welcoming for another, then let’s talk about it.

God’s peace, Pastor Elisabeth

Upcoming Scriptures

September 1 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27;

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

September 8 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-19 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

September 15 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-2; Mark 8:27-38

September 22 - Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

September 29 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Psalm 19:13-20; James 5:13-20;

Mark 9:38-50

COMMITTEE & CIRCLE NEWS

Bible Study

Are you ready for some... no, not football.

Bible Study “kicks off” Wednesday, September 4th at 9:30am in the youth room. Our study of the Book of Jeremiah continues in Chapter 23. Welcome Jeremiah to the team.

Book Club:

Book Club is reading “*The Women*” by Kristen Hannah. They will meet on September 20th at 1:00pm, following Tried-n-True.

Property Committee

The property committee did not meet during the summer months. The next meeting is scheduled for **September 8th** at **9:00am** in the double classroom. All are welcome.

Christian Education

"JESUS LOVES YOU S'MORE THAN YOU KNOW"



Rally Day Sunday is **September 8th**

Come dressed as a camper and have some fun. Don't forget your backpack for the blessing of the backpacks during worship.



Scan the QR code to
pre-register
for **Sunday School**



Register for Sunday School and Confirmation at 9:15am on Rally Sunday.

Scan the QR code to
pre-register
for **Confirmation**



Come and bring your friends!

Continental Breakfast served every Sunday. Volunteers are needed to help with breakfast supplies, i.e. granola bars, go-gurts, individual boxes of cereal, fruit cups, etc. And, Sunday School Educators are needed.

**Registrations for Sunday School and Confirmation are being accepted now.
Sign up Today!**

Sunday School Schedule

09/08 Rally Day/Blessing of Backpacks/Registration

09/22 Kids sing during 10:30 worship

10:30 Worship Acolyte Schedule

09/01 Ethan LaCrosse

09/22 Braylin Carter

09/08 Emma Verbeek

09/29 Londyn Koski

09/05 Kaleb Kuehl

Sewing Circle

Thank you for your continued support of our sewing circle. We can make a big difference in this world for people in need. Below are ways you can help.

We have the opportunity to make “personal care kits”. We need:

- **light weight bath towels**
- **nail clippers**
- **full sizes of bars of soap.**
- **tooth brushes**
- **combs**

A drop box is located in the narthex.

Also, school supplies are on sale. Here is a list for our school back packs:

- **12-inch rulers**
- **unsharpened #2 pencils**
- **pencil sharpeners**
- **blunt small scissors**
- **non-gel pens (black/blue)**
- **box of crayons (16 or 24 ct.)**
- **lined note books**
- **erasers**
- **monitory donations and we will pick up the supplies.**



Sewing is on **Tuesday** mornings at **9:00am** here at church. All are welcome, come check us out.

LWR QUILTS AND KITS DELIVERY: The sewing group is looking for a person(s) to deliver the boxes of quilts and kits to Menominee in October. If you have, or know someone who has, a semi or large truck/enclosed trailer(s), let Nora or Connie know. Fuel charges can be reimbursed.

Safety Task Force

The Safety committee met on August 6th. They discussed the 'dark web' and our relationship with DS Tech. They also commended Ray Miller for his work on the tech equipment and hoped the council would vote on the Finance Policy and implement its practices. They also discussed suspicious people in church, the need for two ushers at each service and the urgent need for the rear door of the narthex to be repaired. The next Safety Committee Meeting will be on **Tuesday, October 1st, at 1:00 pm.**

Tried-N-True

Welcome back, to our seniors 55 and over and guests. Join Tried-N-True in September as we learn more about how the Gladstone Library and Friends of the Library impact our community. As the September Special Giving focus is the library, it is the perfect opportunity to learn more about the services offered for the public, especially your peers. We will gather on **September 20, 2024**, at noon for a meal together and be treated to a program afterwards.



Reminder: Our Nursery and Quiet Rooms have TVs set up for livestreaming the service. If your little one needs a break from the sanctuary, feel free to watch the service from one of those spaces until they are ready to join us again in the sanctuary. Children and their noises are always welcome during church. They are growing and learning with us. We want them to feel welcome but understand that they may need a break. Come and go as you are comfortable. We have some toys in the sanctuary. They can play there too! Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for quiet play in the pews. Help us, help them learn to worship.

Mission Endowment Grant Request Forms

The Request Forms for Mission Endowment Fund distributions are now available in the church office. First Lutheran is fortunate to be able to provide gifts for ministry outreach every year because of the many individual contributions made over the years. The annual distribution of these funds is based on the guidelines of the fund bylaws approved by the congregation. These bylaws require distributions to accomplish the following purposes:

- A. Support ministries and programs relating to growth and nurture in life and faith, especially, but not exclusively, for children, such as attending a Lutheran college, university or seminary, camping and leadership conferences, other training that enables members of this congregation to grow in the Lutheran faith and service to God's people, or funding of church youth programs which involve community outreach, and for funding an internship site at First Lutheran Church.
- B. For families, for social service agencies and institutions, or special programs designed for those in our community who are in spiritual and/or economic need.
- C. Grants to Fortune Lake Bible Camp for general support of its ministries.
- D. Grants to our ELCA schools, colleges, universities, campus ministries, and seminaries, to Fortune Lake Bible Camp or other ELCA church-related camping ministries.
- E. Grants to the Northern Great Lakes Synod for general support of its ministries.
- F. Grants:
 - a. through the Northern Great Lakes Synod partnership ministries, seminarian support, synod endowment support, Mission Outreach Fund
 - b. through the ELCA for World Hunger, World Missions, and other partnership ministries

If you would like to submit a request on behalf of any program or organization that seeks to accomplish one of the above purposes, please stop in the office and pick up a form. Completed forms need to be returned to the office no later than **Thursday, September 26th**. Any questions may be directed to one of the Mission Endowment Fund Committee members: Dennis Landwehr (Chair), Dirk Manson, Dutch McEachern, and Chuck Thomas.

Gifts to the Congregation

In Memory of Paul Hammond

For Sewing

Judy Hammond

Kathleen Shine

Gary & Judy Larson

Nora Smith

Al & Dolli Salmi

Dave & Vicki Ottensman

Tom & Dotti Ford

Gen Morley

Francis & Nancy Peterson

For FLC Intern/Seminary Fund

Gary & Mary Bjorkquist

Joe & Pam Durbin

Raino & Maxine Makie

Jean Ryan

Elizabeth Deneau

Gary Jokinen

For Music Fund

Dirk & Sue Manson

Albert & Bonnie Anderson

Rosalind & Terry Allis

Robert & Susan Koski

For Kitchen Fund

Jane Coyne-Smith

For Mission of Hope

Lloyd & Mary Tuskan

For Memorial Fund

David & Sharon Veingartner



Thank you to Judy Hammond, Geri George, Lloyd & Mary Tuskan, and Mary Bjorkquist, who helped assemble the August newsletter. Thank you to Lloyd and Mary Tuskan for folding the bulletins each week.

Dear People of First Lutheran in Gladstone,

Thank you so much for your financial support of the work of Christ that we do together. This year, as we focus on planting seeds of faith, your Mission Support has contributed to the faith formation of NGLS youth attending the National Gathering, Lifelong Faith Formation of people across our synod, and Lutheran Campus Ministry that plants seed of faith in young adults – to name a few.

Thank you for your designated gifts received January-June:

World Hunger - \$6,097.22

Mkuza Girls School - \$500

Equipping the Saints - \$1,000

Clergy Debt Relief - \$1000

U.P. Wild - \$2,000

Kisarawe Seminary - \$1,000

Youth Ministry - \$1,000

Restricted General Mission Support \$2,580

With all due respect to the Apostle Paul, it is now WE who are planting...together, making possible what each of us cannot do alone.

Thank you for your partnership!

Yours in Christ, Bishop Katherine Finegan

First Lutheran Church,

Thank you for faithfully supporting and investing in Mission of Hope every year.

Blessings, Rick

To My First Lutheran Church Family,

Thank you all so much for the love and support you have given during Paul's illness and passing. The family will never forget your compassion.

Sincerely, Judy Hammond & Family

Going Above & Beyond: A very special thank you to **Ray Miller** and his crew for all their hard work and time updating our sound system and WiFi capabilities. Thanks to them, we can view services from the quiet room and the nursery, the WiFi works in the fellowship hall, both cameras in the sanctuary are functioning, and few new mics have been installed.



Reverend Elisabeth Daniels,

Thank you for a beautiful service to honor our sister Diane LaPorte. Thank you Paul Rajala, Organist, Charlie George & Dirk Manson. You may never know the comfort you bring to a grieving family. Thank you all. And, to Diane's quilting and sewing friends, thank you for the comfort of your friendship. Special thanks to our lunch companion. It meant the world to us. Thank you church ladies who are so thoughtful and kind in a familiar sad moment.

Thank You, Ted & Gloria

Dear First Lutheran,

Thank you for your gifts given to your synod, received by ELCA World Hunger in June....Your generosity is getting at the root causes of hunger and poverty in over 60 countries, including the United States. It provides access to clean water, health care, agriculture, livestock, education, and peace and justice...Thank you. May God of all good gifts continue to work among you all.

In Christ, The Rev. John Eggen
Senior Director, Annual Giving



Special Giving Envelope

September Special Giving will go towards:
Gladstone Public Library

August Special Giving – Mkuzu Girls School
you raised \$245.00 as of August 26, 2024

Stewardship

A REALLY BIG CHALLENGE

The early church had its celebrations and tension, joys and challenges. Some things don't change. We, too, have our share of joys and challenges.

While it's infinitely more satisfying talking about the joys, let's concentrate on what's become a really big challenge over the course of the last two to three years. Put simply, we have been budgeting for and spending more than we have been taking in. We have been able to meet this challenge by tapping into our fund balance (*unrestricted*) to make up the difference.

This fund balance has gotten smaller over the past handful of years as our income has regularly fallen short of our expenditures. This, in spite of our efforts to increase our income each year.

This has become a really big challenge as we look to build a budget for 2025 while anticipating another shortfall that may bring our balance down to zero.

Obviously, we are at a point where we need to find ways to effectively increase income or decrease spending or both. Perhaps our income in the current year will be large enough so the fund balance will not be depleted, but "the handwriting is on the wall" over the long term, so to speak.

The trend is clear. Unless we are able to significantly increase giving and/or make significant cuts, our mission and ministries can't be achieved.

The good people of First Lutheran have always been up to the challenges and have brought great joy to being a part of our community of faith.

So, how about we forget about making deep cuts in our spending and put our faith (and hard work) in significantly increasing our giving. I'm told that we have about 140 families or individuals that currently give

to support our ministries. If each of these faithful givers increase their giving, we can make a big dent in our big challenge. Increasing the number of givers would also help.

This is not a challenge that will go away, but it can be managed. What can you do to be part of meeting this challenge? Here are a few possibilities:

- Make an estimate of giving when asked
- Try tithing if you don't already do so
- If tithing is not for you, give a percentage of your disposable income
- If you already give a percentage, increase it. (ex: if you give 4% try 4.5%)
- Give electronically. (ex: give a fixed amount drawn automatically from your bank account or credit card)
- Pray about your stewardship. In fact, this should come first!

We have work to do. God's work. Our treasure is a critical part of what it takes to get that work done.



Thank you for all that you do to make our community of faith such a joyful, Christ-centered place. Thanks be to God.

The Congregation Council

Did You Know?

If you have an individual retirement account (IRA) and are having to take required minimum distributions (RMD), you can make a tax-free donation to church called a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). It must go directly from your IRA to the church and there will be no taxes for you to pay on it. It's a win win for you and the church!!!

If you have any questions, you can contact Ann Christiansen or your financial advisor.

Tri-County Conference Event



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF



Afternoon Tea Time with Rev. Tim Krick

Senior Advisor, Congregational Engagement

Come and hear about all the work LWR is doing throughout the world, and how you can be involved.

LWR Tea and homemade desserts will be served.

Thursday, September 26
1:00 pm

First Lutheran, Gladstone, Fellowship Hall

UP STATE FAIR CONFERENCE BOOTH UPDATE



The tents are down, the tables and chairs are picked up and back in storage, the fair has come to an end. Thank you to you and your key people who made this possible. 100 volunteers, 200 hours, and 10 congregations are what made this possible. Plus 5 Thrivent Grants!

Here are initial daily totals of the amount raised.

Monday (Zion):	234.00
Tuesday (First Gladstone):	631.25
Wednesday (Immanuel):	775.90
Thursday (Bethany Esc.):	415.35
Friday (Calvary RR & First Trenary):	470.34
Saturday (CtK and Faith Rock):	580.74
Sunday: (Bethany Perk. and Trinity):	308.25
 Total Raised	 \$3415.83
(for reference last year we brought in	2,834.68)

In addition to the money, the anecdotal stories all of our volunteers can tell of people coming in and using the tent to get out of the sun, out of the rain, and sit to enjoy their meal are priceless.

Thank you again for your partnership in this ministry.

Pastor Mike Markwell
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Escanaba, MI

SYNOD EVENTS

Synod Council Meeting:

First Lutheran Church is hosting the Synod Council Meeting on **Friday, September 13th** and **Saturday, September 14th**. We are looking for volunteers to help with set up/serving/clean up, and to provide some snacks: fruit (no apples or pears), veggies & dip (no tomatoes or peppers), bars, cookies, hors d'oeuvres, etc. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.



Life Long Faith Formation

Synod's Lifelong Faith Formation Classes begin in September

Enjoy the conversation and fellowship, as you learn more about the Bible, church history, and Christian mission. Beginning in September, classes meet online via Zoom for two to ten sessions.

For more information and to register, visit the Northern Great Lakes Synod website: nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation

To sign-up for Lifelong Faith Formation emails, contact Deacon Lori Ward at (615) 519-1969 or lori.ward@nglsynod.org

Synod Office Administrator Position

We are looking for an Office Administrator to join our office staff. In this role, duties will include administrative support, producing Synod communications, event planning, and maintenance of essential records. For more information and to send applications visit:

ngls@nglsynod.org

Fortune Lake



Fortune Lake is pleased to announce the hiring of our new Office Manager, Valeria “Val” Rons! Val comes to us with a great deal of education and experience in international business as well as a desire to serve an organization that shares the love of God and provides opportunities for community. Val lives locally with her husband and teenage son. She originally hails from Mexico and is especially excited to connect with our Spanish speaking staff and guests.

Valeria has been training with Deb Hansen, previous Office Manager, and she is quickly learning the ropes. You can look forward to hearing Val answer phones or meeting her at upcoming retreats, rentals, and Fall Fest. Please join us in giving Val a warm Fortune Lake welcome!

Greetings Fortune Lake Association Congregations!

Summer 2024 has concluded, and in many ways, it was the best one since I began in my role as Camp Director. The theme "**Created to Be**" based on Psalm 139:14 was timely and engaging. In a Youth Gathering year when many camps struggle, our **camper numbers were the highest they've been since 2016, with a total of 581 onsite campers** and many more in Congregational Day Camps. Our summer program staff was fantastic, with many of them planning to return in 2025....

...THANK YOU for all you've done to support outdoor ministry at Fortune Lake! We felt every prayer, appreciated every gift, and treasured every camper you entrusted to us. We are grateful for the partnership in ministry that we share.

As you know, numbers are only a small glimpse of the vitality of a ministry. We trust that God blessed each and every one of these campers with the knowledge that they are made in the image of God and loved by their Creator. Thanks be to God for a safe summer in

which each one of these individuals was returned home to their loved ones.

As you soak in the last rays of this Northwoods summer, may the Holy Spirit bless you with rest, and may your fall preparations be fruitful.

Grace & Peace,
Amanda Rasner (she/her), Camp Director



Volunteers Needed

- Occasionally fill-in as our **Sound System Tech**
- Men and women to serve as **Ushers**
- Readers & Communion Assistants



Sign up on *Better Impact* and choose your own dates.

Better Impact works great for those who want to preplan or to try volunteering once to get a feel for the service.

If you would like to help in any of these areas, please sign up on *Better Impact*: app.betterimpact.com or call Pr. Melissa at 906-428-4565!

Mission of Hope Update

A huge thank you to our over 170 volunteers and all of the sponsors, organizations, individuals, and churches who made Mission of HOPE possible this year! Your dedication and generosity touched countless lives and made a profound impact on our community.

Here's a glimpse of the HUGE impact we made together:
We welcomed 1,689 people, that's 400+ families served with
love and care!

- 600+ pairs of shoes and vouchers were given out, making a big difference for so many!
- 650 backpacks filled with school supplies are ready to help kids start the year strong!
- 400 bags of hygiene products were handed out, ensuring everyone feels their best!
- Our Youth Substance Abuse Preventative bags were in such high demand that we ran out!
- Almost 100 kids got fresh haircuts, looking sharp and ready for the school year!
- Hundreds of diapers and formula were provided, easing the load for many parents.
- Hundreds of essential resources were shared, thanks to our amazing community partners.
- Flouride treatments and eye screenings helped keep everyone healthy and ready to learn!
- Hundreds of individual and family photos were captured...creating lasting memories of this special day.

It was truly an amazing day of HOPE and community support!

Thank you to everyone who made it possible!

Paul Culbertson, Director

From the Bishop

“Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.” ~Ephesians 4:32

Dear People of the Northern Great Lakes Synod, I’m on Facebook. I do not comment often, unless it is to wish someone a “Happy Birthday”. I see recipes and gardening tips, anniversary announcements and pictures of baptisms. I also see people I know and love posting polarizing memes that demonize those with whom they disagree. And I suspect the post that was shared can trace its origin to those countries most interested in sowing seeds of discord and division in our country.

It is concerning, especially as we journey towards our November elections and all that is at stake in our votes.

I do not write to tell you how to vote. That is not the way of the ELCA Lutheran Christian. I do write to encourage you to be mindful of how you engage in conversation and discernment leading up to this year’s election. There are people in your congregation who love you and who disagree with you. Will you demonize them? Will you lump them in with those you deem to be unworthy? Or will you extend grace, be kind, and forgive them for not agreeing with you?

Abraham Lincoln, who shepherded the United States through the Civil War, stated, “America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves.”

I hope and pray that as tensions rise, as political lines are drawn, as alliances are declared, that our communities of faith will remain places of civil discourse, open conversation, and unified in our commitment to proclaim Christ and work for his mission.

We are first and foremost citizens of the kingdom of God – not Republicans, not Democrats, not Independents. The lens we apply to politics is that of the open tomb, to weigh and assess the policies and

positions of candidates based on how well they align with the priorities and example of Jesus. This, of course, is not so easily done. But the task becomes easier if we consider what is important with others, in our community of faith, employing conversation, prayer, and debate that allows for mutual respect in the midst of varying perspectives.

I encourage you to be careful of what you post and find out first:

- Is it true? Check the news source.
- Who generated the post? Do not be an unwitting accomplice to outside influencers.
- Does it further the conversation? Or simply drop an emotional zinger meant to inflame and increase anxiety.

Keep in mind that conversation around such important and complicated subjects is best held in person. Social media provides a distance that reduces meaningful discussion to soundbites and allows people to be their worst selves. Do not be your worst self. It is at times such as this that the Church and your church can be a place of not just civility, but of safety and hope.

Whatever the election results, whatever the reaction to those results, we, the body of Christ, will continue to be united in ministry for the sake of the one who died and rose to save.... even those who nailed him to the cross. By the grace of God, our forgiveness will be just as inclusive and will bear witness to the power of Christ to heal, to reconcile, and to find a way forward...together.

Yours in Christ, Bishop Katherine Finegan



September Birthdays



Week 1:

Elson Daniels	Pat Skorupski
Emma Landwehr	Scott Smith
Dolly Salmi	

Week 2:

Helen Belongie	Geri George	Carol Kocsis
Cali Kossow	Londyn Koski	Art Spindler
George Botbyl	Billy Rae Rodriguez	Carson Shea

Week 3:

Jolane Nelson	Neal Johnson	Connie Salmi
Marshall Seawright	Nicole Siedlecki	Al Salmi
Charlotte Strom	Spencer Husbye	Darla Pardon

Week 4:

Joan Anderson	Charlie George	Tom Ford
John Kloet	Lori Shea	Barb Filizetti

Week 5:

Tina Erickson	Dewey Fairchild	Ethan LaCrosse
Bambi Johnson		



September Anniversaries

Kari & Joel Nordin	11 years
Daniel & Kayla Verbeek	17 years
John & Kimberly Roman Jr.	25 years
Chuck & Sally Strom	31 years
David & Vicki Ottensman	35 years
Ray & Trudy Brandt	57 years
Don & Pat Casteel	60 years
Lee & Bonnie Anderson	61 years

Council Highlights



The Congregational Council meet Wednesday, August 21st. At this meeting: The Financial Policy and Procedures was approved by the council. They gave thanksgiving for the years of hard work by Bill Ehrhardt as treasurer. They installed Pamela Brown as the new Treasurer. It was decided to give a monetary gift towards Pr. Jim Duehring's retirement gift. The council approved the recommendations of the Welcome and Outreach committee to move members to friends or to be removed from the rolls. Sally Pouliot was accepted as a new check signer on the General Checking account. She replaces Karleen Thorbahn. Pamela Brown will replace Bill Ehrhardt as a signer on the General Checking, MEF Savings, MEF ELCA MIF, MEF ELCA MIF CD, and the Lamberg New Initiatives and Capital Improvement Edward Jones Accounts. The treasurer stressed, it is time to plan and strategize for the soon to be deficit in the general fund. The next meeting is Wednesday September 18th at 6:00pm in the conference room or via Zoom for those that may be away.



Lakeview

Everett Robinson

Westridge Heights

Jolane Nelson

D.J Jacobetti Veteran's Home

Robert Hasselbom

at Home

Arla Pearson

Jean Hellman

David & Mya Nivison

Gen Morley

Serving Us in September

Readers

8:00 am

10:30 am

September 1	Dale Schlemmer	Dennis Landwehr
September 8	Nora Smith	Dirk Manson
September 15	Judy Hammond	Carolyn Nelson
September 22	Chris Mineau	Dolly Salmi
September 29	Wayne Marshall	Connie Salmi

Communion Assistance

8:00 am

10:30 am

September 1	Dale Schlemmer	Julie Landwehr
September 8	Nora Smith	Collette Weide
September 15	Sally Pouliot	Jane Coyne-Smith
September 22	Kathy Gobert	Carolyn Nelson
September 29	Vicki Marshall	Collette Weide

Ushers

8:00 am

10:30 am

Sept. 1	Steve Bolek & Bill Obenauf	Chuck Strom
Sept. 8	Kathy & Tom Gobert	Lloyd Tuskan
Sept. 15	Howard Haulotte & Raino Maki	Dennis Landwehr
Sept. 22	Rick LaCrosse & Steve Bolek	Lloyd Tuskan
Sept. 29	Bill Obenauf	needed

Thank you for volunteering to serve. If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and contact the office at 428-4565.

Altar Guild:

September: Judy Hammond & Tiffany Olsick



**The office will be closed
Monday, September 2nd
In observance of Labor Day.**

All Staff Meeting

The next all staff meeting will be on Wednesday, September 4th at 8:30 am. Please note the change of time.

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Director of Music: Stacie Carter

Musician: Paul Rajala

Christian Ed Coordinator: Pam Brown & Suzanne Dahlke

Custodian: Hope Thompson

AV Tech: Violet Smith

Congregation Council:

Ann Christiansen, President

Ray Miller, Vice President

Chris Mineau, Secretary

Bill Ehrhardt, Treasurer

Rachel Coyne

Reyna Rose

Paula LaCrosse

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